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## News Release

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### Ten-acre Wildfire Reported on Alligator River national Wildlife Refuge

Late morning today, an employee of the N C Forest Service driving on US Highway 64 observed smoke north of the highway and contacted Fairfield Dispatch. Both NC Forest Service and Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge staff responded to the incident. At this time, the fire approximately 10 acres in size and is located off Deep Bay Road near East Lake on Alligator River national Wildlife Refuge.

The NC Forest Service responded with a spotter plane, Flextrack, and portable bridge. The Refuge responded with a second Flextrack and an engine. Both agencies are providing initial attack in an effort to contain the fire. The fire is currently under the direction of Bert Plante as Incident Commander. Plante is the Fire Management Officer for Alligator River national Wildlife Refuge.



(Photo credit: Donnie Harris, USFWS) Fire crew works to place portable bridge over canal along Deep Bay Road to provide equipment access to fight Deep Bay Fire.





Photo credit: Donnie Harris (two pics merged) NC Forest Service and Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Fextracks responded to the fire.



(Photo credit: Cory Waters, USFWS) Deep Bay Fire was reported around noon on Friday, June 6

[Map credit: USFWS](#) -- Deep Bay Road is located north of US Highway 64 near South Lake on Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge.